**Baker & Hostetler LLP** 

45 Rockefeller Plaza

New York, New York 10111 Telephone: (212) 589-4200 Facsimile: (212) 589-4201

David J. Sheehan Nicholas J. Cremona Jorian L. Rose Amy E. Vanderwal Jason I. Blanchard Hearing Date and Time: April 29, 2020, 10:00 a.m. (EST)
Objections Due: March 20, 2020

Attorneys for Irving H. Picard, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and the Chapter 7 Estate of Bernard L. Madoff

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

SIPA LIQUIDATION

(Substantively Consolidated)

CERTIFICATE OF NO OBJECTION TO THE TRUSTEE'S MOTION AND MEMORANDUM OF LAW TO AFFIRM HIS DETERMINATIONS DENYING THE CLAIMS OF NEIL E. BOTWINOFF, ROBERT E. HELPERN, JOEL S. HIRSCHTRITT, RALPH A. SICILIANO, VINCENT J. SYRACUSE AND MICHAEL G. TANNENBAUM

Irving H. Picard, trustee ("Trustee") for the substantively consolidated liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78aaa *et seq.*, and the chapter 7 estate of Bernard L. Madoff, by and

through his undersigned counsel, submits this certificate pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9075-2, and respectfully represents:

- 1. On December 9, 2019, the Trustee filed the Motion and Memorandum of Law to Affirm His Determinations Denying the Claims of Neil E. Botwinoff, Robert E. Helpern, Joel S. Hirschtritt, Ralph A. Siciliano, Vincent J. Syracuse and Michael G. Tannenbaum (the "Motion") (ECF No. 19202), together with the Declarations of Jason I. Blanchard (ECF No. 19203) and Vineet Sehgal (ECF No. 19204) and in support of the Motion.
  - 2. The deadline for filing objections to the Motion expired on March 20, 2020.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. Notice of the Motion was provided by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid or email to (i) the Claimants<sup>2</sup> identified on Exhibit 1 annexed to the Declaration of Vineet Sehgal; (ii) all parties included in the Master Service List as defined in the Order Establishing Notice Procedures (ECF No. 4560) (the "Notice Procedures Order"); (iii) all parties that have filed a notice of appearance in this case; (iv) the SEC; (v) the Internal Revenue Service; (vi) the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; and (vii) the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, pursuant to the Notice Procedures Order.
- 4. Counsel for the Trustee reviewed the Court's docket not less than forty-eight (48) hours after expiration of the time to file an objection, and to date, no objection, responsive pleading, or request for a hearing with respect to the Motion appears thereon. Additionally, counsel to the Claimants advised the undersigned that it does not intend to oppose the relief requested in the Motion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Second Stipulation and Order Adjourning the Hearing and Extending the Objection Deadline on the Trustee's Motion and Memorandum of Law to Affirm His Determinations Denying the Claims of Neil E. Botwinoff, Robert E. Helpern, Joel S. Hirschtritt, Ralph A. Siciliano, Vincent J. Syracuse and Michael G. Tannenbaum (ECF No. 19308).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

- 5. An electronic copy of a proposed order (the "Order"), that is substantially in the form of the proposed order that was annexed to the Motion, will be submitted to the Court along with this certificate.
- 6. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9075-2, the Trustee respectfully requests that the Order be entered without a hearing.

Dated: New York, New York March 24, 2020 Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David J. Sheehan

David J. Sheehan

Email: dsheehan@bakerlaw.com

Nicholas J. Cremona

Email: ncremona@bakerlaw.com

Jorian L. Rose

Email: jrose@bakerlaw.com

Amy E. Vanderwal

Email: avanderwal@bakerlaw.com

Jason I. Blanchard

Email: jblanchard@bakerlaw.com

Baker & Hostetler LLP 45 Rockefeller Plaza

New York, New York 10111

Tel: (212) 589-4200 Fax: (212) 589-4201

Attorneys for Irving H. Picard, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and the Chapter 7 Estate of Bernard L. Madoff